The Honorable Walter Leon Cutler

Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Ambassador Cutler was born 25 November 1931, in Boston, Massachusetts. He graduated from Wesleyan University (B.A., 1953) and Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy (M.A., 1954). He served in the United States Army in 1954-1956 prior to entering the Foreign Service. He was a Consular Officer in Yaounde in 1957-1959. At the Department he was Foreign Affairs Officer in the Executive Secretariat (1959-1961) and Staff Assistant to the Secretary of State (1961-1962). He was the Political Officer in Algiers (1962-1965), Principal Officer in Tabriz, Iran (1965-1967), a Political Officer in Seoul, Korea (1967-1969) and Saigon (1969-1971).

From 1971-1973 Ambassador Cutler was the Special Assistant in the Eastern Asian Bureau for the Department of State. He attended the Senior Seminar at the Foreign Service Institute in 1973-1974. He was Director of Central African Affairs in the Department 1974-1975 and served as Ambassador to Zaire in 1975-1979. He was Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations in 1981. From 1981-1983 he served as Ambassador to Tunis. In February 1984 Ambassador Cutler arrived in Saudi Arabia to assume the position of U.S. Ambassador.

Ambassador Cutler is married to the former Isbel Kugel Brookfield. He has three children from a previous marriage.

Marion Virgil Creekmore

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Arabian Penninsula, Gulf North and Economic Affairs

Mr. Creekmore was born 8 January 1939 in Tennessee. graduated from Vanderbilt University (B.A. 1961) and Tulane University (M.A. 1963, PHD 1963). Following his academic studies, Mr. Creekmore was an instructor at Tulane University 1963-64. He joined the Department of State in December 1964. His first overseas assignment as a foreign service officer was in Pretoria 1965-1966. He later served as an economic officer in Accra, Ghana, and Bonn, Germany and at the Department of State in Washington. In January 1978, Mr. Creekmore was detailed to the Department of Energy for a one-year assignment. In January 1979 he was appointed Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic - Development Policy. Prior to his present assignment at the Department of State Mr. Creekmore was Deputy Chief of Mission - Minister Counsular in New Delhi, India since August 1981. He was awarded the Superior Honor Award from the Department in 1976.